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1. DEPT NOTES FROM REFTEL THAT CHILEAN REP HAD BEEN PREPARED TO GO ALONG WITH CONSENSUS FOR RES RE HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE, PRESUMABLY INCLUDING AMENDMENT TO SECOND PREAMBULAR PARA. THIS AMENDMENT MERELY RECALLS ONE SPECIFIC POINT OF CONCERN IN TELEGRAM AUTHORIZED WITH CHILEAN CONCURRENCE AT 30TH HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION SESSION.

2. USDEL SHOULD, PRIOR TO ECOSOC PLENARY AT WHICH SOCIAL COMMITTEE RES ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE WILL BE CONSIDERED, EXPRESS TO CHILEAN REP OUR ASSUMPTION AND DESIRE THAT RES CAN BE APPROVED BY CONSENSUS IN PLENARY. YOU SHOULD ALSO STATE THAT SHOULD THERE BE A VOTE ON RES, USDEL WILL VOTE IN FAVOR. IF NECESSARY, YOU SHOULD EXPLAIN TO CHILEAN REP THAT WHILE WE REGARD RES AS DEFECTIVE IN SOME RESPECTS,

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ON BALANCE IT IS RELATIVELY MODERATE EXPRESSION OF CONCERN

BY ECOSOC WITH REGARD TO ALLEGATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHILE, AND PREFERABLE TO POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES. RECALL THAT RES WAS PRESENTED BY CO-SPONSORS AFTER CONSULTATIONS IN WHICH ASSURANCES BY CHILE OF JOINING IN CONSENSUS WERE A KEY FACTOR. RES AS APPROVED BY SOCIAL COMMITTEE WITH ONLY MINOR AMENDMENT TO PREAMBULAR PARA IS

ESSENTIALLY THE SAME AS THAT PROPOSED BY CO-SPONSORS. WE THEREFORE SEE OBLIGATION TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON OUR ORIGINAL POSITION OF SUPPORTING RES.

3. IF VOTE ON SOCIAL COMMITTEE RES IS TAKEN IN PLENARY, USDEL SHOULD VOTE FOR, WITHOUT EXPLANATION OF VOTE. RUSH

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